

INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY

International application No.

PCT/JP2004/011684

Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the language, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ This report is based on translations from the original language into the following _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:

- ☐ international search (Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b))
☐ publication of the international application (Rule 12.4)
☐ international preliminary examination (Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3)

2. With regard to the elements of the international application, this report is based on (*replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report*):

☐ the international application as originally filed/furnished

☒ the description:

pages 1-23 as originally filed/furnished

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

☒ the claims:

nos. _____ as originally filed/furnished

nos.* _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19

nos.* 1-5, 8-10 received by this Authority on 22.04.2005

nos.* _____ received by this Authority on _____

☐ the drawings:

sheets _____ as originally filed/furnished

sheets* _____ received by this Authority on _____

sheets* _____ received by this Authority on _____

☐ a sequence listing and/or any related table(s) – see Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing.

3. ☒ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

☐ the description, pages _____

☒ the claims, nos. 6, 7

☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____

☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____

☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*): _____

4. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).

☐ the description, pages _____

☐ the claims, nos. _____

☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____

☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____

☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*): _____

* If item 4 applies, some or all of those sheets may be marked "superseded."

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Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement		
1. Statement			
Novelty (N)	Claims	1-5, 8-10	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-5, 8-10	YES
	Claims		NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-5, 8-10	YES
	Claims		NO
2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)			
Document 1: JP 2003-213157 A (Toyo Aluminium Kabushiki Kaisha), 30 July 2003			
Document 2: JP 62-283160 A (Toyo Aluminium Kabushiki Kaisha), 9 December 1987			
Document 3: JP 56-159263 A (Toyo Aluminium Kabushiki Kaisha), 8 December 1981			
Document 4: JP 2001-329226 A (Toyo Aluminium Kabushiki Kaisha), 27 November 2001			
Document 5: JP 2000-160053 A (Tomoegawa Paper Co., Ltd.), 13 June 2000			
Document 6: JP 2000-160062 A (Tomoegawa Paper Co., Ltd.), 13 June 2000			
Document 7: JP 2000-160052 A (Tomoegawa Paper Co., Ltd.), 13 June 2000			
Document 8: JP 56-141367 A (Asahi Chemical Industry Co., Ltd.), 5 November 1981			
Document 9: JP 56-139566 A (Asahi Chemical Industry Co., Ltd.), 31 October 1981			
Document 10: JP 57-190055 A (Adeka Argus Chemical Co., Ltd.), 22 November 1982			
Document 11: JP 2-251574 A (Nippon Paint Co., Ltd.), 9 October 1990			

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Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
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The invention of this application is a powdered metallic paint containing flake pigment having a film containing a charge regulating agent, wherein said paint has a specific relationship between charge values. This invention is novel and involves an inventive step in relation to documents 1 to 11, and this feature offers the inventions of this application a remarkable effect.